

and to Dan Wunberg. I am hopeful he will attend.
February 10, 2007
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the inclosed handout to the committee and refer to the letter.

Shank You!!!

Dear Members of the Long Range Planning Committee,

Whitefish Theatre Co. was scheduled to appear before the Long Range Planning Committee on Wednesday, Feb. 14. Our organization considers this opportunity to testify an honor. On Friday, Feb. 9, at 10pm, we learned that the Wednesday hearing had been cancelled. We were rescheduled to appear on Tuesday sometime between 7:45 and 11am. We regret that we are unable to reschedule to attend the Tuesday hearing. Four young students from our theatre education program rehearsed a presentation for your committee. They wrote a song, gathered costumes, and worked diligently on their testimony. This was an opportunity to participate in their state government. Unfortunately, the girls and their chaperones cannot change their plans at this late date. They worked very hard to present a compelling and professional testimony in support of the arts. Whitefish Theatre Co. regrets that it will miss the opportunity to testify on behalf of its Cultural Trust grant request. The grant is very important to our organization and we are hopeful that you will give it full consideration in our absence.

Sincerely,

Carolyn Pitman

Director

Whitefish Theatre



Lyrics created by Whitefish Theatre Co. Young Actors for the C&A grant testimony, to be sung to the tune of "Trouble in River City" from the musical, *The Music Man*.

Well, we got trouble my friend – Right here, I say.

Trouble in our theatre budget.

Why sure I'm an actor folks, certainly mighty proud I say, I'm always might proud to say it

I consider that the hours I spend with a script in my hand are golden.

Help you cultivate diction, poise and a fine education.

But friends lemme tell you 'bout our ills.

We got one, two, three, four, five, six bills to pay on time.

Payin' 'em means the difference between a sell-out and no show!

You have the power to make our dreeeeams all come true.

Now I know all you folks are the best legislators.

I'm gonna be perfectly frank

You'd like to know what kinda bang for your buck you'll be gettin'if ya help with this here grant?

You'll be gettin' musicians community programs stoooorytellers in elementary schools.

Kids braggin' all about how they're gonna spend nights readin' Shakespeare.

One fine night, they'll graduate. Stand up and say how they did it.

T'was the theatre did it for me kept me outa trouble

Thanks to the legislators supporting our programs

Here's my diploma. Gotta bright bright future. EDUCATION!

Friends, you can make our community's dreams all come true.

Help us!

Sing: Oh, please help us!

Grant our request

Sing: Grant our request!

Can't you see how YOU can help out ME? Create success!

Sing: That brings success!

You can keep us outa trouble

Sing: Just keep us outa trouble

By funding our programs.

Sing: Good choice!

Educational programs are keepin' our young ones moral after school.

Sing: Our children's children need t'have Programs Programs.Programs Educational Programs Programs Programs

Bringing the Arts to the I.A. O'Shaughnessy Center







Whitefish Theatre Company's Music Man Jr.















